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REQUEST

FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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| Application Number | 09/628,614 |
| Filing Date | July 31, 2000 |
| Confirmation Number | 3854 |
| First Named Inventor | John Christopher Brock |
| Group Art Unit | 2141 |
| Examiner Name | J. Khosravan |
| Attorney Docket Number | 2386.2007-000 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ☐.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ☐.

iii. ☐ Other -- ☐.

b. ☒ Please do not enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 20, 2004.

c. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

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ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

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iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time - 2 month(s) with copy

v. ☐ Other -- ☐.

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ☐ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other -- ☐.

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ A check is enclosed for the following fees in the total amount of \$1190
OR

☐ Authorization is granted to charge the following fees in the total amount of \$☐ to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

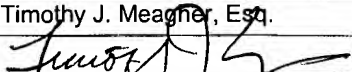
ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Amendment Fee

iv. ☐ Other -- ☐.

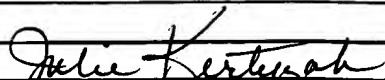
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| Signature |  | Date | 9/20/04 |

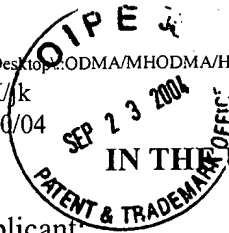
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PATENT APPLICATION
DOCKET NO. 2386.2007-000



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: John Christopher Brock, Charles K. Fadel and Kevin Riley

Application No.: 09/628,614 Group: 2141

Filed: July 31, 2000 Examiner: J. Khosravan

Confirmation No.: 3854

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL OF CONNECTION DATA IN A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| (COL. 1) | (COL. 2) | (COL. 3) |
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| CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA |
| TOTAL 28 | MINUS * 28 | 0 |
| INDEP 10 | MINUS ** 10 | 0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | |

* not fewer than 20
** not fewer than 3

| SMALL ENTITY | |
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| RATE | ADDIT. FEE |
| X \$9 | \$ |
| X \$43 | \$ |
| + \$145 | \$ |

TOTAL = \$ 0

| OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY | |
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| RATE | ADDIT. FEE |
| X \$18 | \$ 0 |
| X \$86 | \$ 0 |
| + \$290 | \$ |

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| | Request for Continued Examination | \$ | <u>770</u> |
| | _____ | \$ | _____ |
| | TOTAL: | \$ | <u>1190</u> |

☒ A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 16, 2004 in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently with this Amendment. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: